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Water and Power (Electricity) Department

NOTIFICATION

No. 4534/EL1/68-1/W&P. *Dated, Trivandrum, 1st June 1968.*

S.R.O. No. 210/68.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Kerala Essential Articles Control (Temporary Powers) Act, 1961 (Act 3 of 1962) the Government of Kerala hereby make the following order, namely:—

ORDER

1. (i) This Order may be called the Kerala State Electricity supply (Kerala State Electricity Board and Licensees Areas) Surcharge Order 1968.

(ii) It shall apply to Extra High Tension, High Tension and Low Tension supplies of electrical energy by the Kerala State Electricity Board either directly or through licensees.

(iii) It shall come into force in respect of each consumer including those in the licensees' areas from the date of taking readings of his meter on or after 1-6-1968.

2. Unless the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used in this Order and defined either in the Indian Electricity Act 1910 (Central Act IX of 1910) or in the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948 (Central Act LIV of 1948) shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in these Acts.

3. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any agreement entered into with any consumer or the conditions of service agreed upon by the Kerala State Electricity Board, the Kerala State Electricity Board shall levy a surcharge in accordance with clause 5 on all supplies of electrical energy made by it either directly or through licensees:

Provided that no surcharge under this Order shall be levied on

(a) Bulk supplies of energy to the licensees.

(b) Low Tension supplies of energy for domestic residential purposes.

(c) Low Tension supplies of energy for agricultural purposes.

4. The surcharge shall be calculated on the overall charges for the supply of energy and shall be included in the relevant bill for such supply.

Explanation: For the purpose of the clause the expression "overall charges for the supply of energy" shall mean the aggregate amount mentioned in the bill for energy including demand charges and minimum tariff charges where such charges are levied but excluding service charges, meter hire, testing charges and electricity duty.

5. The surcharge referred to in clause 3 shall be levied on the overall charges referred to in clause 4 at the following rates.

I. *Extra High Tension Consumers on special rates.*

(a) Those who are on special rates upto and including Rs 164/KW or KVA per year	A surcharge of 33⅓% subject to the condition that the overall rate inclusive of surcharge will not go beyond Rs 798 per KW or KVA per year.
(b) Those who are on special rates commencing from Rs 165 and above	A surcharge of 20%

Note: In respect of 'a' above, overall limit is kept at Rs 198 so that it does not exceed the minimum of Rs 165 plus 20% for 'b' above.

II. *High Tension Industrial Consumers.*

(1) Two part tariff V(a) — A surcharge of 20%

(2) Tariff V(b) Demand tariff and tariff V(d) — do.

III. *Low Tension Consumers on tariff:*

Low Tension I (a) (ii) Commercial—A surcharge of 10%

Do. (b)—Bazaar Lamps — do.

Do. (c) (i)—Domestic Heat and Small Power Loads—
A surcharge of 10%

Do. (c)(ii)—Commercial and Non Domestic Power Loads—
A surcharge of 10%

Do. (d)—All Electric Home Tariff
A surcharge of 10%

Do. (e)—Cinematograph and motion picture studios — do.

Do. II (A) Public Lighting including Light House main lamps — do.

Do. (B) Street lights installed in Private institutions — do.

III. *Temporary illumination including exhibition.*
20% surcharge for temporary illumination excluding exhibitions.

IV. *Low Tension Power—400 volts (a) Industrial*

A surcharge of 20%

6. It shall not be lawful for the Kerala State Electricity Board or for the licensees receiving bulk supply from the Kerala State Electricity Board to supply energy for a price which does not include the surcharge leviable by or under this Order:

Provided that no subsequent upward variation of the surcharge shall be effective upon charges contained in any bill covering any energy supplied before such variation.

7. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Order, the State Government may, in public interest by order exempt from the levy of the surcharge on the supply of energy to any consumer who takes supply from the Kerala State Electricity Board directly or through the licensees subject to such condition if any as may be specified in the order and may at any time suspend or cancel such order.

8. When the supply of energy is made through a licensee the surcharge referred to in clause 3 shall be collected on behalf of the Kerala State Electricity Board by the licensees who may retain as collection charges one percentum of the amount so collected. If the licensees fail to remit the amount of surcharge due to the Kerala State Electricity Board by the end of the second month following the month in which energy was supplied to the consumer the licensee shall pay interest at the rate of one per centum per mensem on the amount due from the due date of remittance.

By order of the Governor.

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Secretary to Government.

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